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PROJECT TERMINATION

CRYPTONYM: GROSSBAHN

HEADQUARTERS CASE OFFICER

DIVISION: EE

STATION: SALZBURG, AUSTRIA

Room No. 2707 J

Extension 2695

Date: 22 December 1953

1. The GROSSBAHN project is submitted for termination.
2. The project as approved on 16 February 1953 is attached.

Acting Chief, EE/A

Acting Chief, EE/FI

22 December 1953

Date

Approved:

Chief, Plans

23 December 1953

Date

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22 December 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: FI/PLANS

FROM: Chief, EE

SUBJECT: Termination of Project GROSSBAHN

1. Approval is requested to terminate the GROSSBAHN project which was approved 27 February 1953 for the period 1 February 1953 through 31 January 1954, and to pay termination benefits of \$4000.
2. It has been deemed advisable for operational reasons to terminate the project and to assist the principal agent (also known as GROSSBAHN) to come to the United States with his family. He has been a principal agent since February 1950, and for three years previously was employed by ZIPPER.
3. The termination benefits of \$4000 would include a six-month termination bonus to the principal agent, a two-month termination bonus to the office assistant of the principal agent (who has been employed for over five years), and fare to the United States for agent, his wife and son. It would also partially cover shipment to the United States of agent's household effects. We feel these termination benefits are justified by reason of agent's loyal services on behalf of U. S. Intelligence since 1947.
4. The total amount approved for the project was \$20,000. According to the Accounts office of the Finance Division, a total of \$8384.20 had been spent on the project from 1 February 1953 until 30 November 1953. Thus the \$4000 requested for termination expenses would not necessitate any additional funds for the project.
5. It is desired to terminate the project in early January 1954, at which time the principal agent is expected to end his services for the Agency and depart from Austria.
6. All GROSSBAHN clearances are cancelled with the exception of PP-1 and AA-1 who are being turned over to the Vienna Station.

* BONUS FOR GROSSBAHN	6 mos pay	\$ 1960
" " OFFICE ASSISTANT		192
TRAVEL TO U. S. FOR WIFE, FAMILY		980
SHIPMENT HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS		866
TOTAL		\$ 4000

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